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## INTRODUCTION.

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Has the gift of prophecy ceased? I hope to show in the four sermonettes here produced that God is, and has been, shaping this old world. The whole Christian church is aroused at the state of the world today. People are asking what is going to happen and what is going to be the end of it all. Preachers at conferences and pulpits all over the land are praying for some kind of vision to help in this crisis, here is a book full of them and if heeded will bring great blessings to the reader.

In 1893 I first published my experiences in Europe. In these I plainly predicted what is taking place today. In my original book entitled "Visions of the Future," published by the Christian Herald in London in 1893, I wrote the following ominous words: "*I saw in a vision in 1889 the present German Emperor running up and down in front of a modern war vessel wringing his hands and crying out in intense agony 'Oh, for another Bismarck and Moltke. From this and other visions in this book it was deeply impressed upon my mind that there would soon be mighty wars in Europe which will be the beginning of the great strife amongst the nations spoken of by the Prophet Daniel, and John on the Island of Patmos.'*" Could anything have come

more true? In 1889 Germany had not thought of a navy and it is the *modern warships* which has caused him to lose the sympathy of the whole world by his insuicidal submarine policy, and no doubt had he had such a diplomist as Bismarck he would never have ventured on such a foolhardy policy. This is only one of the many things I shall insert which *has* and *will* come true. The people generally seem to have fallen into a great stupor in looking at the Scriptural prophecies, as *symbolical* instead of *literal*.

The reader will understand when reading my messages that they were given to me at a particular time in my religious experience.

I have written at full length on the Welsh revival in the third sermonette because Mr. Roberts has had two great messages to the world, the later one being of great importance during the present world crisis, and I give a full account of a *rapturous experience* he had which resulted in that revival. My experiences were *just the same*, lasting 2½ years, just as long as my *physical strength* would last, and instead of mine resulting in a great revival, God gave me a *great panorama view* of events which must take place at the approaching end of this age.

As these experiences are of a startling nature I think the reader ought to know who I am. During the past 10 years I have attended upwards of 70 revivals throughout the British Isles, Canada and United States, following respectively Dr. Torrey, Evan Rob-

erts, Gypsy Smith, and during the past five years "Billy" Sunday's meetings, spreading the word of God everywhere and earnestly praying for the success of each revival. God has graciously opened the way for me to do this work without any effort on my part. One incident of how I have been directed might be interesting. Several years ago, when Dr. Scofield first brought out his famous Bible, I "boomed" it greatly at the *East Northfield Conferences*, and the following year contemplated going into business at Boston. One night, however, I heard a voice speak in *thunderous tones*: "Follow a certain evangelist with these (Scofield) Bibles." On the strength of this inspiration, I went six hundred miles, and when I saw the evangelist whom I had been instructed to follow, he said: "Have you got this wonderful Bible?" (Producing a Scofield). I said: "Yes, that is just what I have brought." He said: "Bring it along and I will speak of it for you." And he has done so ever since.

Why did God instruct me to follow on with this particular Bible; because no Bible containing notes ever gave such clear account of events which must immediately precede Christ's second coming.

I might also add that previous to my following these great evangelists, for 26 years I held a responsible position in the general manager's office of one of the chief English railroad companies and retired on a pension at 45 years of age, through ill health, and later

spent several years as one of the staff of the Christian Herald, both in England and America.

May God give His blessing to all who read this little book.

AUTHOR.





CHRIST WEeping OVER A CITY



## FIRST SERMONETTE

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Oh, Jerusalem, Jerusalem, which killest the prophets, and stonest them that are sent unto thee; how often would I have gathered thy children together, as a hen doth gather her brood, and *ye would not.* *Luke 13:34.*

This was a wonderful period in the history of our Saviour's life. He had by gradual degrees demonstrated God's love and power in a wonderful way. He had used strong language in denunciation of man's sins; but as He reached the final part of His mission He began to unfold unto them some wonderful prophecies depicting the terrible way Satan would have hold upon the world, and the consequences thereof. He depicted that wonderful scene in the world's history of the appearance of the Bridegroom; and of the five wise and five foolish Virgins, the sudden rapture of the church, where two shall be working in a field, one shall be taken and the other left, the terrible tribulation spoken of by Daniel; and then in deep compassion he uttered the ever memorable words of the text: "Oh, Jerusalem, thou that killest the prophets, and stonest them which are sent unto thee how often would I have gathered thy children together, even as a hen, but ye would not." If it was

needful for Christ to weep tears in those days what must it be for Him to do so over the nations today? Surely the words of the Apostle Paul are coming true when speaking of the personal Antichrist that the world should wax worse and worse.

He knew judgment would overtake wickedness, for "as a nation sows so shall she also reap." These terrible wars taking place are nothing but the Divine Judgment of God. Take England with her drink, opium and horseracing; France with her blatant infidelity; Germany forgetting the days of the Reformation, with her higher criticism professors attempting to kill the evangelical religion; Russia and her great persecution of the Jews; and Austria, who has for years practically shut her gates to the Protestant religion; and this is simply the reward of the "sowing" of the nations.

My object in writing these sermonettes is to bring in my own experiences, and if my reader doubts for one moment whether it is true that Christ wept of old and that He is weeping today I insert the following, which was also confirmed in a remarkable way by a minister changing his text on the spur of the moment, which was nothing short of a miracle.

The vision which I had of Christ weeping over a city was given to me when I was 21 years of age, and although I had been converted several years I had not yet received the baptism of the Holy Spirit. But this vision made a very deep impression upon me and

caused me to seek and seek a full blessing from God, which was given me 10 years after.

In the vision, according to the picture, I saw Christ weeping over a city, His face buried in His hands. All at once He lifted one hand up and pointing to the city bade me go and do all the good I could. The effect of this vision upon me, for days afterwards, was truly marvelous. I hardly knew whether I was in or out of the Spirit, and during the rapturous experience I had for 2½ years, referred to in the introduction of this book, one day (about Wednesday in the week) the Devil began to tempt me by saying that the vision I had of Christ weeping over a city, 10 years before, was all a myth! a myth! This temptation continued until Saturday night, and whilst quietly resting in my sitting room, I prayed to God that He would help me to fight this temptation. I reached for my Bible and it opened at Job, first chapter, where Satan worshipped with the Sons of God. I thought: "It may be that God has allowed Satan to tempt me." All at once I felt a sudden inspiration from God and the following words were spoken to me quite plainly, but inaudibly: "Go to Allestree Primitive Methodist Church, tomorrow afternoon (Sunday)." Being three miles away, I began saying to myself: "I cannot get my dinner over and be there in time." But I got no peace, so I decided to go. When I got there I was startled when I heard the minister announce his text as follows: "He came near a city and wept over it." After the sermon I waited for the preacher outside and

asked him why he preached that sermon. He was surprised and said: "I am glad you asked me that question, for when I got up to preach I had the notes spread out on the Bible before me for a totally different sermon, but could not open my mouth. So I had to take the text you heard." Some would call this a coincidence, but I call it a miracle from God, which it surely was.

How we should endeavor to live to lessen this compassion of Christ.





He was in the air waiting to receive His watching ones  
unto Himself



## SECOND SERMONETTE

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Then we which are alive and shall remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air, and so shall we ever be with the Lord. Wherefore comfort one another with these words. 1 Thes. 4:17-18.

What a wonderful meeting this will be. There have been many great meetings and events. Those were wonderful events when Moses delivered the children of Israel from Egyptian bondage. Those were great meetings when Savonarola stirred Florence by his eloquent preaching. That was a wonderful meeting when Martin Luther delivered the Protestants over from the bondage of the Pope. And there have been many marvelous meetings when the crowds have been stirred by Wesley, Whitfield, Moody, etc.; but nothing will equal this meeting we are now considering, viz.: "Christ to meet His Saints in the Air."

I believe it will be the greatest phenomenon in the world's history. "Two shall be working in a field. One shall be taken and the other left."

This great meeting is to take place  $3\frac{1}{2}$  years before the end of this age, and the commencement of

the Millenium, where Christ will reign with His people for 1000 years. The Devil will be chained, and after that period he will be loosed for a short period. Then will the end come, when the books at the great White Throne will be opened and every man judged according to his works. Now most modern theologists and evangelists agree about the rapture and the whole Millenium; but what puzzles them is whether the members of the whole Christian church will be caught up, or those who are filled with the Spirit of God, or, in other words, have been baptized with the Spirit since they believed, and are living aggressive Christian lives—such as the Salvation Army, etc.; or whether those Christians who are worldly will be left behind to endure the great tribulation which will be the greatest in the world's history (lasting  $3\frac{1}{2}$  years). This will have to be decided by every Christian for themselves through prayer. I have my own opinion from the same source, which is, that only those who are living extremely aggressive and sanctified lives, will be amongst the favored ones, to be caught up, and that therefore there will be many disappointments. The  $3\frac{1}{2}$  years of tribulation is to be very terrible, many executed for the Word's sake, but those who die for the Lord during the tribulation period will be just as well off as those who are caught up believing they will immediately join those who have been translated, as John in Revelation says, writing of this period: "I saw a great multitude that no man could number." I said: "Who are these?" "These are they that came out of the great tribulation." This period will be also

a period of great salvation, which I shall show in the next sermonette.

The picture I here present, most adequately explains this great mystery spoken of by Paul, which is mentioned in my text.

When this vision was given to me it seemed Christ was in the air as if waiting to catch his watching ones unto Himself; and an angel was by my side, which seemed to suggest that He would be always with me, through all trials and trouble, giving me directions and helping me to work out the meaning of these wonderful visions. Many things point to a speedy end.







EVAN ROBERTS



## THIRD SERMONETTE

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Oh, Lord, I have heard Thy speech and was afraid: O, Lord, revive Thy work in the midst of the years, in the midst of the years make known, in wrath remember mercy. Habakkuk 3:2.

This was a very trying period for the children of Israel. They had incurred the displeasure of God, who had been very good to them. He brought them out from Egyptian bondage, led them through the wilderness performing many miracles, and gave them great military victories. First He gave them Moses as commander, then a number of Judges, among whom was Samuel; then they craved for a King, which request God also granted and which was their undoing. Beginning with King Saul, there were a great number of Kings who mostly did evil in the sight of the Lord. And during this period, God raised up a number of prophets, for it was to render judgment against one of these wicked Kings that we first hear about the Prophet Elijah. No one seems to have known anything about his early career; but he appears to come stalking through the wilderness, uttering those never to be forgotten words to King Ahab: "As the Lord thy God liveth before whom I stand there shall be neither rain nor dew, for three and a half years."

What a wonderful period this term: Three and one-half years! Every time it is spoken of in the Bible it is associated with terrible judgments. Daniel refers to it as the latter half of the final seven years' tribulation, and John, in Revelation, both as if to make no mistake, speaks of it as 42 months. And all three of these prophets, viz., Elijah, Daniel and John, each noted for their startling prophecies, dealt with God's anger ending the human race in physical suffering. Do we not also seem to hear the voice of the prophet Jeremiah, running up and down the streets of Jerusalem, crying: "Return, return, oh, House of Israel!" And in the midst of these we see this grand old prophet Habakkuk upon his knees, praying that remarkable prayer: "Oh, Lord, I have heard Thy speech and was afraid. Revive Thy work, in the midst of the years make known, in wrath remember mercy." But notwithstanding all these warnings the children of Israel went on sinning until one night whilst engaged in a Bacchanalian revelry the enemy came and carried them away captive into Babylon. After a time God heard the prayer of these great prophets and sent a revival amongst them, Ezra and Nehemiah becoming their spiritual and military leaders. This was indeed a most remarkable revival. They had a prayer meeting, called by Ezra "a solemn assembly," lasting for a week. God graciously heard their cry and once again delivered them from their enemies.

I want to show just as God gave a great spiritual awakening then *so he can today*. And I want also to show exactly, in answer to prayer, how God sent about

10 years ago a revival into the little principality of Wales, in the British Isles, the greatest in my opinion since the days of Christianity. I was present at that revival, and describe it just as I saw and understand it. It came about in a very simple way, as most of the great revivals do, and occurred as follows: An ordinary evangelist named Seth Joshua was going to hold a revival meeting; and before commencing thought he would call several friends together for prayer, in a lady's house. Amongst this little company was a man named Evan Roberts. Whilst at prayer, they heard the voice of God as a mighty rushing of the wind. The power came down with such force that it knocked Mr. Roberts to the floor. He was stiff and could not move. He said to the evangelist: "Seth, bend me, bend me!" He did so and Mr. Roberts got up in a prophet's power. He began living in a new world, seeing visions, etc.

Wales, at this time, was in an awful backslidden condition. The churches were being sold because people would not attend. Mr. Roberts' mind was directed upon his home town (about 150 miles away) named Loughor. The young evangelist had a vision before his eyes continually of his once empty church being filled with his youthful contemporaries, being converted wholesale, and when he could stand it no longer, he went to his tutor, telling him of his visions. The teacher thought it might have arisen through physical weakness. But all at once these words came into the tutor's mind: "In the last days your young

men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams." He said to Mr. Roberts: "Go! and God be with you." He accordingly went to his home, and when he saw the pastor of the church, and asked if he could have a revival, he was met with a rebuff. The preacher said: "Evan, you know they will not come." But Mr. Roberts said: "Let us have a meeting for the children"; for God had promised him there would be 12 of these converted. The pastor ultimately agreed, and the 12 children *were* converted. The interest became so great that the grown up people asked permission to come. Then came that great mysterious magnetic power, which always accompanies a real awakening. The church became crowded. They closed at 10 o'clock; then 11; then 12; and finally it had to be kept open until two in the morning; and at 10 o'clock the next morning, all the churches within a 10 miles radius would be filled with people under the deepest conviction.

From this time, Wales became the centre of attraction. It was in a cauldron of prayer and praise. The secular press began to notice it; and the "Cardiff Daily Mail" sent a reporter to Loughor to "write the movement down." But when the reporter got there he became converted, and instead of writing an article of criticism, he wrote one of praise. The editor, when he received the copy, also was converted; and he spread the revival everywhere. Representatives began pouring in from England, America, India, Russia, France, Germany, and many other countries who were



Two of the disciples preaching from a wagon in a field  
typical of apostolic earnestness



watching this wonderful movement, wondering where it was going to end.

The prophet Isaiah predicted that "A nation shall be born in a day," and I never knew this so near fulfillment. In six months nearly 100,000 colliers were brought into the kingdom and it became necessary for nearly 400 pastors to have their churches enlarged. Theatrical companies coming from London to Wales would wire back: "Returning by the next train. Everybody at the revival meetings." The saloon keepers' receipts went down one half. Every backslider in the Salvation Army was reclaimed and ministers carried their sermons about in their pockets for six months unable to preach them; for when they attempted to preach the people would break out in prayer and praise. Many religious exploits were seen. This religious enthusiasm continued at "white heat" about six months; then it jumped to Korea, India and China.

It has been asked many times what has become of the chief actor of this movement. It became patent to everyone that he could not keep up the strain of these midnight and early morning meetings. He became sick. I was at Liverpool when he broke down. All manner of nasty things began to be spread about him, "that he was mad," etc. Can this be wondered at? Would Satan allow a man to go free who had done so much to injure his Kingdom. Here was a young man, a collier by trade and only 26 years of age, having the leading divines of the world at his feet, and who had

caused the world to stop and think! I can fancy Satan saying to God, the same as he did about Job: "Does this man serve Thee for naught? Let me try him." And he thrust him down with physical weakness. The young evangelist was brought down from the new world he had been living upon, to the ordinary plain. That rapturous experience! that fascinating personality! which would enable him to lead the biggest sinner to Christ in five minutes, when brought face to face, left him. He no longer lived on the borders of the eternal kingdom, but had come down again to the ordinary religious experience of everyday life. And for 10 years he has been leading a quiet Christian life, conducting prayer gatherings, etc. But suddenly, on October 15th, 1914, the world was startled by a renewal of his rapturous experience! To go near him as before was to be in the immediate presence of God. Here he received another great message for the world, which is again stirring the British Isles. This time it is not to conduct a great revival, but has reference to another great meeting which will cause the greatest revival since the early days of Christianity.

His message to the world this time is the "Translation of the Saints" without dying. Spoken of in my second sermonette.

When Mr. Roberts received this great message he began looking into the Bible to see what it said about this subject, for he had thought little about it. He found many predictions: "Two men shall be working in a field, one shall be taken and the other left." "The

wise and foolish Virgins," etc., etc. Since this time events have occurred which point to the culmination of an event of this kind, namely: the present world wars, etc.

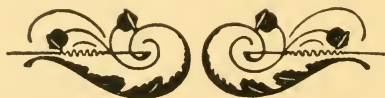
(I have referred to this revival at great length as I was present representing a London paper, so can speak first hand. ———)

After this translation will occur one of the most wonderful revivals the world has ever seen. And I here insert a vision I had of this extraordinary preaching which will take place during this period, and which was first published by me in 1893:

On May 15th, 1889, I had a great vision in which I saw two apostles preaching from a wagon in a field. I said to a friend who I thought was standing by my side, "Did you ever see such earnestness?" All at once I found myself in a room where I saw eight more of the apostles dressing, and putting their clothes on with tremendous rapidity as if to join the other two preaching in a field. I saw the Apostle Peter as I had seen him in pictures as plainly as I have ever seen anything in my life. All at once I found myself at the door of another room, where I saw our Saviour engaged in an animated conversation with the Apostle John. My heart was at breaking point with joy. I wanted to tell Him how they were preaching outside. I thought: "He is too busy, He will not want to be interrupted;" however, I could stand it no longer; I rushed up to Christ and told him how they were preaching in the field and

I remember how He turned around and rejoiced exceedingly. This, in my opinion, will be the kind of preaching after the Translation of the Saints—what can stop it? Here is an event which is the greatest in the world's history. People, according to Scripture, know that the tribulation cannot last more than  $3\frac{1}{2}$  years. Churches will be too small to hold the people and therefore they will hold meetings in fields or anywhere. They will court death at the hands of Antichrist, who will be in supreme command, because they know death means to be immediately in the presence of Christ and those who have just been translated.

May God bless the reading of an account of this great revival. I suppose there are very few large cities in the United States where I have not in some church given an account of this awakening and which has produced many blessed results to those who heard it, the unanimous feeling being, as expressed by a minister at Colorado Springs after I had spoken in his church, said, "Thank God for this *breath* from Wales!"





Then nations shall learn war no more. Men shall beat their swords into plowshares and their spears into pruning hooks. Isaiah 2:4.

The whole world seemed to be at war. All at once the stars began to fall, the heavens opened, and there appeared an innumerable company of angels with flaming swords as if to destroy the enemy.

I believe by the operation of this vision the Beast (Antichrist) is destroyed at the Battle of Armageddon or the smiting of the "Stone cut out without hands." Daniel 2:35.



## FOURTH SERMONETTE

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And they that be wise shall shine as the brightness of the firmament, and they that turn many to righteousness, as the stars for ever and ever. Daniel 12, verse 3.

This is one of the most important passages in the Bible, as it deals with all time, rewards for Christian service, and the ultimate destiny of man. We find this closes Daniel's great career, as he held an important position near to the King himself. He had reached the zenith of his Christian experience. He had defied the Imperial Edict, not to pray to God—which landed him in the Lion's Den; and then, as if to give one grand climax to it, he lifts the curtain and gives us a panorama of the world's future history, which is taking place this very day. When he saw these things, they made him faint and ask the question: "How long shall it be until the end of these wonders?" These revelations brought him into the immediate presence of God, as it also brought the Apostle John, on the Island of Patmos, when the angel was giving him confirmation of these very things, and brought both prophets into a great state of physical exhaustion. Daniel said, "I fainted"; John, "I fell at His feet as one dead."

It is wonderful how many transition stages there are in the Christian life. I give one of the extracts which appeared in my book in 1893, dealing with my own experience.

*"On July 26, 1888, I retired to rest about 10 o'clock. When I had been in bed a few minutes, I felt a marvelous power begin to descend. It seemed like waves of love and power piercing me through and through. My whole soul seemed to be transformed into a state of ecstasy; this mighty baptism lasted until 2 o'clock in the morning, and had I not cried unto God to 'Stop! Stop!' I should have died in this state. After this it took me nearly a week to recover my strength. After this I had the same experience three times, but not with such thrilling effect. God knows just how much the physical strength will bear."*

Following this great manifestation of God's Spirit, came the experience of the momentous things in these four sermonettes dealing with the present conditions of the world's history, which I trust who ever reads will ponder over again and again, until they thoroughly understand everything.

The prophet sums up the whole matter in the text I have taken. He implores us to live and watch. This verse of Scripture has proved a great inspiration to many. It was the Book of Daniel which first caused me to study prophecy. After I received the following vision of the stars falling, viz.: In October, 1888, I had a startling vision. I thought I saw the heavens

rolling, and the stars falling, then all at once the heavens seemed to open and there appeared an innumerable company of angels descending with flaming swords as if to take the enemy by storm. It seemed to me the whole world was at war; this was one of the most wonderful visions I ever had, and whilst lying in bed the next morning praying for an explanation of it, there came the following words: "Read the eighth chapter of Daniel." Now I did not know the contents of this chapter, but found it was an exact explanation of the vision, where in the midst of the world's greatest chaos, wars, etc., the stars shall fall, accompanied by many angels with flaming swords, and this will end the present dispensation and thus usher in that glorious period known as the Millenium, when men shall beat their swords into ploughshares, and their spears into pruning hooks, and Satan will be bound for one thousand years, and the preaching of the Gospel will go forth with mighty energy. Through the great war at present waging, things seem to be coming this way. In my vision, "The whole world seemed to be at war." These significant words were issued in my book in 1893. How true they are coming today, and yet this is nothing to what will take place when the Devil himself will be let loose for  $3\frac{1}{2}$  years, after the translation of God's people who may be ready for that momentous event, which may occur at any moment.

I have tried in these four sermonettes to place before my readers a brief sketch of the things taught by the Bible, dealing with the firey time we are traveling through. I have tried to show that God speaks to His

people today as He did in ancient prophetic times. Why should He not do so? Is there any warrant in the Bible that the gift of prophecy has ceased? Daniel in the very last chapter, from which this text is taken, says (ninth verse): "And He said go thy way, Daniel, for the words are closed up, and sealed, 'till the time of the end.'" Thus signifying that at the time of the end God would again bring vivid attention to these things. Again, the Apostle John, on the Island of Patmos, received exactly the same panoramic view of the end as did Daniel, as if to connect the New Testament with the Old Testament, he says in the last chapter of Revelation, tenth verse: "And He saith unto me, '*Seal not* the sayings of the prophecy of this book, for the time is at hand.'" "

In conclusion I would say that in these short addresses I have endeavored to make plain the way concerning the present period of the world's history, as the Bible teaches it. I have tried to show that God has confirmed these writings in many ways, particularly by causing several ministers to change their texts on the spur of the moment, thus showing in this twentieth century He still directs the thoughts and understanding of his followers. I have spoken of "rapturous experiences", and would say that during the summer of 1889, immediately following this great rapture, I determined to spend my summer vacation at a little place called Rothsay in Scotland, on a small island. Here I thought I would go and spend a week in close communion with God and prayer. I took a little note book with me and determined to reason all the great things

God had shown me and "Prove all things, hold fast that which is good." I arrived at this place on Saturday night fully equipped for this great week's consecration. The next morning (Sunday) I went to a United Presbyterian Church and the minister took for his text "Prove all things, hold fast that which is good." I prayed a silent prayer, and said: "Lord, that is what I am here for." The same evening I went to another Presbyterian church and must confess I was startled when I heard the preacher announce his text, viz.: "Prove all things, hold fast that which is good." Now this island only contained 5,000 inhabitants, yet God was working on the minds of these two preachers that they could not help preaching the same sermon which corresponded with my week's intention. On Monday, I accidentally met the minister who preached on Sunday morning, and said: "Sir, why did you preach that sermon yesterday?" He answered: "I am glad you asked me, for I was laboring in preparation of a totally different sermon until one o'clock on Sunday morning. I could make no headway with it, and had to take the text you heard." Was this a coincidence? I say it was the Divine God directing these men what sermon they should preach as He will direct any true minister of the word of God, if he seeks His guidance.

These are not the only striking instances where God confirmed His word to me by ministers changing their texts on the spur of the moment, but I have given sufficient instances to my readers to convince them, I trust. The pictures I have given in this book, just as

they were given to me, were dictated by me to an artist in London in 1892, will, I hope, be an inspiration, as they have inspired me many times.

In conclusion I pray God that we may all be ready when the Bridegroom cometh to have on the wedding garment.

The whole of the present and future tribulation and trouble amongst the nations hangs upon the illustration, "*Christ weeping over a city*," and however much we may admire men like Mr. Carnegie and Mr. Bryan in their heroic work for peace the present world trouble cannot cease, but rather increase until in the midst of the chaos there will spring up some great Military Dictator and who will proclaim himself Anti-christ (I have dealt with this fully in my other books) and ultimately our own beloved country may be drawn into it from a humanitarian standpoint, and when the dividing of Turkey comes about, which must take place according to Biblical prophecy (for the Scripture cannot be broken) then the Balkan States will become embroiled and practically the whole world will be at war.

I send this little book out with the confident assurance that who ever helps forward by their prayers and assistance will be blessed by God.

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